S.No.	Name of the Drug	A/c Unit	Production 1984—85
XII.	*Cardiovascular Drugs :*		
31	Propranolol	T	5.24@
32	Digoxin	Kgs.	17.13
33	Methyl Dopa	T	19.04
XIII.	*Anaesthetics :*		
34	Procaine	T	32.40
XIV.	*Anti Histamins :*		
35	Chlorpheniramine Maleate	Kgs.	—
XV.	*Anti Helmentics :*		
36	Piperazine & Salts	T	5.20
37	Mebandazloe	T	8.71@
XVI.	*Tranquilisers and Sedatives :*		
38	Diazepam	T	5.73
XVII.	*Anti Filarials :*		
39	DEC Citrate	T	21.94
XVIII.	*Anti Leprotics :*		
40	DDS (Depsone)	T	7 25
41	Clofazimine	T	1.47
XIX.	*Anti Bacterials other than Antibiotics and Sulphonamides :*		
42	Trimethoprim	T	4.25@

@Estimated

High price of anti T. B. drugs

1801. SHRI MIRZA IRSHADBAIG: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 618 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 29th July, 1985 and state:

(a) the name of producer of each brand of drugs based on Ethambutol and when was the price fixed for each;

(b) what was the sales turn-over of each brand during the last three years, year-wise;

(c) whether it is a fact that these brands are sold at a higher than fixed price;

(d) if so, at what price each of these brand is available in the market;

(e) whether it is a fact that the poor TB patient is paying high price inspite of the fact that Government have exempted excise duty on account of higher price of Ethambutol allowed to the formulators than the market price; and

(f) what steps Government are taking to give relief to poor TB patients?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS AND INDUSTRY AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI VEERENDRA PATIL): (a) to (f) Information to the extent available would be collected and laid on the Table of the Rajya Sabha.

Increased sale turn-over of drug units

1802. SHRIMATI MAIMOONA SULTAN: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 602 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 29th July, 1985 and state:

(a) the names of the units whose turn-over exceeded rupees fifty lacs;

(b) when it came to Government's notice and what was the sales turnover of each during 1979-80, 81-82, 82-83 and 83-84 and when the notices sent were to each of them;

(c) which of the units had provided the information in respect of sales turn-over and what is their turn over during 1984-85;

(d) since when the issue of representation is goiog on and by when the same will be finalised; ;

(e) whether it is a fact that these companies are overcharging the prices for the last five years; and

(f) if so, why no action has been taken so far?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS AND INDUSTRY AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI VEERENDRA PATIL): (a) to (f) Instances of some companies continuing to market their formulations without price approval even after crossing the limit of Rs. 50 lakhs in sales turnover came to the notice of the Government in the beginning of the year 1984. After examination of the matter notices have been issued to over 200 units which *prima facie* have crossed the limit of Rs. 50 lacs in sales turnover. Replies to the notices and representation from one of the Association on behalf of such units have only been received recently. These representations would be considred and action taken in accordance with due procedure of Law.

Failure of drug importers to get price approval

1803. SHRIMATI MAIMOONA SULTAN: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 603 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 29th July, 1985 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that number of importers of essential and life saving medicines are not applying for price approval and selling the same at very high prices;

(b) whether it is a fact that every importer has to obtain drugs import licence from the Department of Drugs Controller (India) and their port authorities are aware of actual imports;

(c) if so, what steps have been taken so that importer should seek price approval before marketing;

(d) whether any action was taken against any importer of life saving formulations marketing without price approval, if so, the names of such importers;

(e) whether it is also a fact that no importer of bulk drugs is applying for price fixation of the drug; and

(f) if so, what are the reasons for the same and what steps were taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS AND INDUSTRY AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI VEERENDRA PATIL): (a) to (d) The names of the importers of finished formulations, formulations imported by them etc. have already been furnished in reply to Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 603 answered on 29th July, 1985. No specific instance of any importer of a life saving formulation marketing the formulation without price approval has come to the notice of the Government.